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*Elvas, Sept.* 16. *N. S.*

THE Engliſh Forces which remain in this Country arrived the 12th Inſtant at Monteſclaros, where they are now encamped. A Dutch Regiment of Horſe is encamped near Eſtremos, and the reſt of the Dutch Troops are ready to march from their Quarters. The Forces from the Province of Abeira are on their March towards the Tagus, having Orders to paſs that River with all poſſible diligence; ſo that we hope our whole Army will be aſſembled in 5 or 6 days, which will conſiſt of 17000 Foot, and 5000 Horſe. A conſiderable Train of Artillery is provided, together with all other Neceſſaries for a Siege: Beſide which Care is taken to erect Magazines of Proviſions and Ammunition in the ſeveral Frontier Towns in this Province, to ſupply our Army as there ſhall be occaſion. The Enemy's Troops in Andaluſia have not yet left their Quarters; but thoſe which lay on the Frontiers of Abeira are now paſſing the Tagus, as if they intended to march towards Valenza, in order to make a Diverſion, which cannot be conſiderable, ſince all the Force they are able to bring into the Field doth not amount to 14000 Men. Several Deſerters are come over to us from the Enemy, by whom we are informed, That the Confederate Troops have laid Siege to Barcelona both by Sea and Land.

*Lisbon, Sept.* 19. *N. S.* The Confederate Forces on our Frontiers are marched out of their Quarters of Refreſhment, and ready to enter upon Action. It is ſaid they are to beſiege the Town of Badajos. The 17th Inſtant the Enemy ſent out from Badajos a Party of above 1000 Horſe and 200 Granadiers, to intercept our Convoys of Ammunition and Proviſions coming from Eſtremos to Elvas. They divided themſelves into two Bodies: One attacked one of our Convoys; but was ſoon obliged to retire, without doing us any further Damage than the taking of ſome few Mules; the other was met by a Party of our Troops, and put to flight, 30 of the Enemy being killed, and two Lieutenants, with about 20 Troopers, taken Priſoners, with inconſiderable Loſs on our ſide. Our freſheſt Letters from the Confederate Fleet are of the 15th of the laſt Month: It was then in the Bay of Altea. They ſay, That the whole Country thereabouts appeared to be generally in the Intereſt of their King Charles the Third: And by a Genoeſe Ship which came from thence after the Date of our Letters, and put into Gibraltar, we have an Account, That thoſe who have declared for his Catholick Majeſty having ſecured themſelves of Denia, not far from that Bay, his Majeſty had appointed to be Governor of that Town General Ramos, who ſerved under the Prince of Heſſe-Darmſtad in the Siege of Gibraltar. By other Veſſels come in from thoſe Parts, we are likewiſe informed of a general Revolution in the Kingdom of Valentia, and in Catalonia. We hear that the Garriſon of Barcelona conſiſts of no more than 2500 Men, moſt of them Neapolitans; and that the French would have put a new Governor into the Place, but the Inhabitants would not admit him.

*Rome, September* 12. The Diſcourſe is revived of the Pope's intending ſhortly to make a Promotion of Cardinals. It is ſaid, he has lately ſent Letters to the Cardinal Primate of Poland, renewing his Orders to him to quit the Intereſt of the new Elected King Staniſlaus. Count Lagnaſchy, Envoy of Poland, has publiſhed a Manifeſto, juſtifying the King his Maſter's Conduct in relation to the Troubles in that Kingdom; and ſetting forth the Practices of the Primate, and thoſe of his Party, in oppoſition to his Majeſty. Cardinal Barberini had a private Audience of the Pope the 7th Inſtant, upon the occaſion of the Differences between this Court and that of Savoy. We hear that Count Lamberg, the Emperor's Ambaſſador, who, upon his leaving this Place by reaſon of ſome Indignities offered to his Character, retired to Lucca, is removed from thence to Miniato, in the Duke of Tuſcany's Territories.

*Donawert, Sept.* 20. New Levies are making in Bavaria for the Emperor's Service, moſt of which are deſigned for the Imperial Army under the Command of Prince Eugene, who, we hear, is alſo to be reinforced by a conſiderable Detachment from that which is commanded by Prince Lewis of Baden.

*Paris, September* 28. *N. S.* The King parted from Marli the 22d Inſtant, lay that night at Seaux, and proceeded the next day to Fontainbleau, where he intends to continue ſome time. The Grand Prior arrived there yeſterday from Italy, having left the Army commanded by the Duke of Vendoſme his Brother the 14th Inſtant. The Count de Toulouſe, Great Admiral of France, has been viewing our Coaſts near Toulon; and it is ſaid, that he is ſhortly expected from thence at Fontainbleau. There is a Report, That Orders have lately been ſent to Toulon for the fitting out of the Men of War in that Port; tho' it cannot be imagined that they ſhould venture out of the Harbour while the Confederate Fleet continues in the Streights, which is much ſuperior to any Force we can ſend out to Sea. The Marquis de Dreux arrived at Court the 22d from the Duke de la Feuillade's Camp near Turin, and ſet out the 26th on his return thither. It is ſaid, Orders have been diſpatched by him to that Duke to lay aſide the Deſign of beſieging Turin, which appears too difficult to be undertaken with ſo weak an Army as that which he commands. Several Edicts have lately been publiſhed here; among which there is one for the appointing of two Agents in this City, to have the Inſpection of Matters relating to the Exchange of Moneys, who are to purchaſe their Places; and another, whereby the Burghers of this and other Cities are deprived of the Liberties and Immunities they enjoyed, in relation to the Houſes and Eſtates that might belong to them in the Countries adjacent to the Cities they are Burghers of, unleſs they obtain Licences to confirm the ſame, to be granted them by the Magiſtrates of the ſaid Cities reſpectively; for which the Inhabitants of Paris are to pay 400 Livres each; thoſe of Marſeilles, and of other Cities where there is a Parliament, or a Superior Court, 300 Livres each; and the Burghers of the remaining Cities to pay each 200 Livres.

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